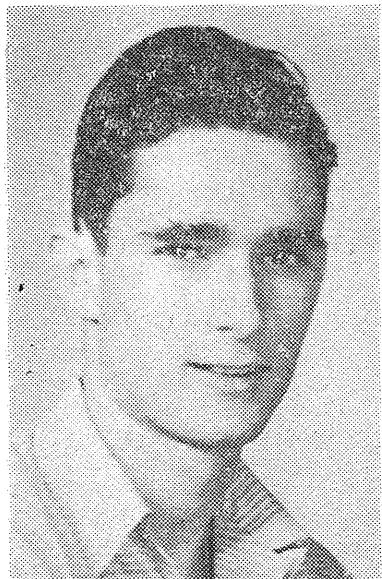


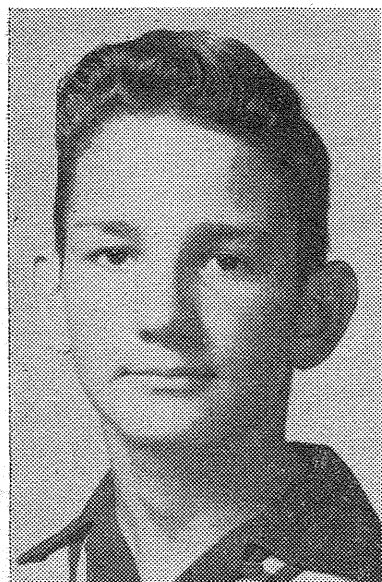
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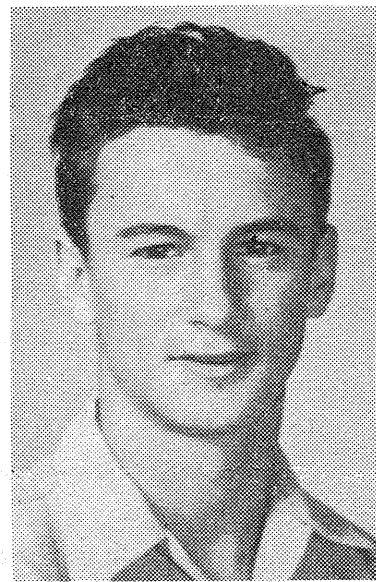
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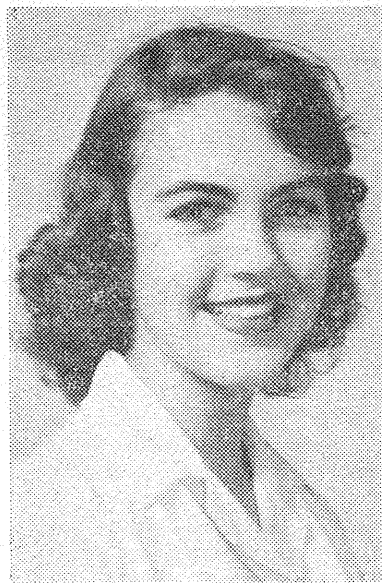
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DICK BRIEN
Most Popular



RICHARD KEITT
Pin-Up



SALLY BELL
Pin-Up

TWO REASONS TO WALK HOME OR OUR SCHOOL BUSES

By Steve Gosnell

The other day, finding I hadn't a ride, I decided to take the bus. As I got off at the first stop, I was to get aboard last. I was lucky! The bus pulled up and the people poured in until the inside was a shoving, pounding, seething mass of humanity. Then the bus driver threw the bus into low with a grind and peeled off down the street. This lurching start shifted the passengers, making room for a dozen or so more. They piled in until the sides of the bus started creaking. The last person slashed his way through the bodies into the bus. The driver gasped, "No More," slammed the door and an unfortunate person's arm dropped into the street. This done he lurched out into the street and down the road agonizing screams coming from the bus. I was fortunate to be left. It was the first time I enjoyed my walk home.

(Forward all (choke) fan mail for this article to 1313 13th Street,

In the recent contest sponsored by the CHATTER, the following students were elected "favorites" of the high nine class: most representative, Judy Whitehurst and Tom Mayor; most popular, Judy Whitehurst and Dick Brien; pin-up, Sally Bell, and Richard Keitt.

The runners up were: most representative, K. Montgomery and John Biggs; most popular, Wanda Phears and Bill Jensen; pin up, Kathy Johnson and Gene Wood.

MOST REPRESENTATIVE

Judy Whitehurst was chosen most representative and most popular girl of the graduating class. A member of Mrs. Madden's homeroom, she has dark brown hair and eyes and is five feet, one inch tall.

Judy's long list of honors are proof of her outstanding ability. She was in the 1952 May Fete, eighth grade Sweetheart, homeroom president, vice-president, and secretary, gym team captain three times, secretary of the National Honor Society, received three scholarships, and was vice-president of the ninth grade class. She was also Queen of the 1954 May Fete, and for the past year she has been editor-in-chief of the CHATTER.

She picks fried chicken, vanilla milkshakes, the colors red and white (what else!), swimming and listening to records as her favorites. Her pet peeves are John and Garry.

After graduating from Pershing she plans to attend Lamar and then Rice. She would like to become an English teacher or go into the field of Journalism.

Tom Mayor was elected the most representative boy of his grade by the students in the high nine. His abilities, popularity, and friendliness have made him one of the most outstanding boys of the graduating class.

While at Pershing, Tom has acquired many honors and much popularity. He is a member of the National Honor Society, ninth grade class president, vice-president of the Student Council, May Fete escort in '52 and '54 and lettered in various sports.

Tom is an attractive boy, six feet tall, with black hair and hazel eyes. His favorite food is K.C. steaks. He likes the color red and the song "Wanted." His favorite sports are football and track.

Tom plans to attend Lamar next year. After he graduates from Lamar, Yale is his destination where he plans to major in law.

Runner-up for most representative girl is the capable K. Montgomery. K. is well known around Pershing for her brains, beauty, and popularity. Her honors include gym class leader, team captain, and ninth grade program committee member. K. is also a member of the National Honor Society, a member of the Student Council for two years, vice-president in charge of social events in the Student Council and has made five scholarships.

A member of Mrs. Perkins' homeroom, K. lists as her favorites: food, steak; songs, "All Over Again" and "Lonely Wine"; color, yellow; and college, Texas. The boy in K.'s life is Pat Bellamy.

John Biggs, a member of Mrs. Lewis' homeroom is the runner-up for most representative boy.

During his three years at Pershing, John has proven his ability in many fields. He started the seventh grade with a wonderful athletic record, which he has added to each year. He is a star in swimming, track, baseball, and served as co-captain on Pershing's football

team in the ninth grade. He has lettered in all these sports.

John was elected councilman-at-large to serve in the ninth grade. He is the president of the Student Council, a member of the National Honor Society, and a prince in the '54 May Fete.

John is five feet eleven inches tall with blond hair and blue eyes. His favorite drink is coke and his favorite food is steak.

MOST POPULAR

A member of Mr. Hamner's proud homeroom has been chosen most popular boy. He is none other than Dick Brien.

Dick is known for his great personality and quick wit. He is a good looking guy, with brown hair, and brown eyes. Dick has been a Pershing football letterman and in 1953 he was an escort in the May Fete. Dick is a smart and talented boy, having made four scholarships at Pershing and has received several art awards.

Dick picks as his favorites hamburgers and "big orange" drinks, the song, "Man With the Banjo," the color red, and Miss Moreland. In the girl category, he "likes 'em all." His pet peeve is being tickled by Sonny Young and his hero is Liberace.

After graduating from Pershing, Dick will attend San Jacinto.

Runner-up for most popular girl is Wanda Phears: Wanda, called "Windy" by her friends, is five feet three inches tall, with light brown hair, green eyes and more than her share of looks and brains.

Wanda was a member of the royal court in '52 and '54. She was a real boost to the football team as a cheerleader. As a member of Mrs. Leggett's homeroom, she has been the president and secretary of her homeroom, president of the Dramatics Club, Student Council member, gym team captain twice, candidate for snowflake queen, and is an active member of the National Honor Society. She has also received five scholarships.

Wanda likes eating, especially steaks, baked potatoes, and limeades and her favorite color is blue. After graduating from Pershing, Wanda will attend San Jacinto.

Runner-up for most popular boy was Bill Jensen, Bill is a tall five feet, nine inches and has bluish-green eyes and strawberry blond hair.

A member of Mr. Moss' homeroom, Bill, who has been very active in sports, was on the A softball team, A basketball team, and the swimming team. Among his favorites are the color blue, steak, milk, Mary Day, and "The Man With the Banjo."

PIN UP

Sally Bell was chosen Pin-up girl. Sally is an attractive brunette with hazel eyes and is five feet and five inches tall.

While making many friends at Pershing Sally has also racked up many honors. She has twice been a gym team captain, assistant team captain twice, a member of the 1952 May Fete, homeroom president, vice-president and secretary, Cleopatra of the J.C.L. Dance. She is also secretary of the J.C.L. and the ninth grade class.

Sally chooses as her favorites the following: drink, Dr. Pepper; food, hamburgers; color, blue; boy, Wayne Speer; teachers, Mrs. Lewis and Miss Moreland; subjects, algebra.

Elected "Mr. Dreamstuff" of Pershing's graduating class of 1954 is

none other than the brown-eyed, black-haired hunk of handsomeness called Richard Keitt.

Richard is a towering six feet tall with brown eyes, black hair, and looks that set all girls "swooning."

You usually find Richard eating hamburgers, drinking "big oranges," and thinking about Janis Pettitt. His favorites include the song, "I'll Always Love You," Mrs. Scarborough, wood shop, and the color, siren red. His favorite pastime is fishing and hunting. Richard is in Mr. Corson's homeroom.

Richard plans to attend high school at San Jacinto, and college at Texas University. His ambition is to become a prominent banker and lawyer in Houston, Texas.

Kathy Johnson was elected runner-up for Pin-up. A popular member of Mrs. Lord's homeroom, Kathy is five feet tall and has brown hair and big brown eyes.

Kathy's many honors include president of her homeroom, also vice-president, treasurer, and secretary of her homeroom. She has been a team captain and was a princess in this year's May Fete.

Included in her favorites are shrimp, rootbeer, the color red, all boys and history. Kathy's pet peeve is seventh grade flirts.

Pin-up boy runner-up is Gene Good. Gene is a tall brunette with interesting brown eyes.

A popular member of Mrs. Leggett's homeroom, Gene picks as his favorites, food, barbeque; color, red; girl, Jerry White; and song, "Cuddle Me." He has been very active in the field of sports being a member of the school football and basketball teams.

Projection Club Elects Officers

Monday the 17th, marked the beginning of another phase in the history of Pershing's Projection Club. On Monday the club elections were held with the following results: Joel Hochman, president; Lloyd Armstrong, vice-president; Don Ligon, secretary; Bobby Lindsay, club reporter.

Spanish Club Attends Convention

On April 30, and May 1, the Spanish Club of Pershing went to the annual Pan American Student Forum Convention held in Austin, under the auspices of the Good Neighbor Commission of Texas.

The group left at 6:30 A.M. Friday, arriving in Austin at 10:30 A.M. The first general session was at 11 A.M. in the Stephen F. Austin Hotel. There were various contests in the afternoon. That evening a banquet, a fiesta, and a dance were held at the Austin Hotel.

The next morning the second general session was attended by Gayle Holliman and Mike O'Huron, official delegates from the Pershing chapter. Later they attended a luncheon honoring the newly elected officers of the P.A.S.F.

Students from Pershing attending the convention were Ann Goecke, Susan Brown, Nancy Frost, Mary K. Gibson, Gayle Holliman, Thomas Bacon, Mike O'Huron, Judy Faulkner, Melba St. Clair, Gayle Fleming, Corliss Driscoll, Donna Dreschel, Joanne Koberling and the sponsor, Mrs. Bess Brannen.

The Art of Using A Wastebasket

Since its invention the wastebasket has been a boon to mankind. They are used in homes, offices, schools and shops. Unlike the common garbage can, the wastebasket contains only bits of paper instead of the usual fish heads, tin cans, and banana peels. Only clean paper should be dropped in, in a clean manner. The proper way is explained in the next paragraph.

The person takes a wad of paper in his left or right hand (since most people only have left and right hands). He should approach the basket slowly at approximately a 47½ degree angle. The paper should not be raised above the arm pit. The paper is then dropped (not thrown) into the wastebasket. If at first you miss, don't panic! Keep cool! Try not to give in to temptation and make a basketball shot. This is an important point. If you should submit to temptation, if you can't resist, if you should make a basketball shot, you may have to write a 200 word theme—like this one.

Patio Put To Use

The homerooms of Pershing have been putting the patio to good use recently.

Whereas the patio used to serve as nothing but a grass plot on which not to walk while going to lunch, it is now serving as a site for many homeroom parties.

As many as two homerooms may use it at one time.

So far two fine braziers have been bought for this purpose, and more equipment is planned for next year.

Hades, beyond. The author was run over by a school bus while walking home.)